

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings are new sheets and include new Figures 4 and 5 to show portions of the functional connection of the training bench of Figure 1.

Attachment: New sheets including new Figures 4 and 5

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Office Action dated June 15, 2007. A two (2) month extension of time is filed herewith. Therefore, the time period for response extends up to and includes September 15, 2007 (extended to September 17, 2007 since September 15, 2007 falls on a Saturday). Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the Examiner's careful review and consideration of this application.

In the subject Action, claims 1-7 were rejected under §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicants have amended claim 1. New claim 8 has been added. No new matter has been entered. Claims 1-8 remain pending in the present application. In light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections and advancement of this application to allowance.

Drawings and Specification

The drawings were objected to for not showing every feature of the invention specified in claims 1 and 4-7. Applicants have amended claim 1, the specification and the abstract to clarify the confusion of the term "bearing end" by changing "bearing end, parallel, freely rotational rollers or belts" to "said framework bearing having end, parallel, freely rotational end rollers or belts". In addition, Applicants have added new Figures 4 and 5 to further show and clarify features recited in claims 1 and 4-7 especially regarding the terms "servomechanism", "computerized motor-brake system in the rollers or belts", "computerized servomechanisms", "auxiliary framing", and "side rolling systems". The specification has also been amended accordingly. No new matter has been entered (such new figures being supported by at least the claims as originally filed). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections.

The disclosure was objected to as being so incomprehensible as to preclude a reasonable search of the prior art by the Examiner. The Examiner believed that some terms are not understood in the specification. For example, the Examiner stated that it is not clear, on page 3, in lines 25-26, how the clamp screws (11) allow for fixing the transverse position of the assembly on the bars or guides (3). The Examiner also believed that it is not clear in some other portions of the specification on pages 3 and 4.

Applicants have amended the specification to clarify the confusion. No new matter has been entered. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 1-7 were rejected under §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In particular, the Office Action states that there is insufficient antecedent basis for the limitations “the bicycle” in line 2 in claim 1 and “the end rollers and belts” in lines 2-3 in claim 3. Applicants have amended claim 1 by changing “the bicycle” to “a bicycle”. Regarding claim 3, as discussed above in section “Drawings and Specification” regarding the clarification of confusion of the term “bearing end”, the limitation “the end rollers or belts” in claim 3 now has an antecedent basis because the “end rollers or belts” is positively recited in claim 1. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

It is noted that the amendments discussed in this section were not made to overcome art based rejections. Accordingly, such amendments should not be construed in a limiting manner.

New Claim

New claim 8 has been added.

Conclusion

This response is believed to be responsive to all points raised in the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all of the currently pending claims. Should the Examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney at 612.336.4755 to discuss the same.

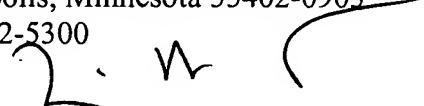
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